



## Reporting on Red China

### MEDIA COMMENTS

by Gordon White

A *Bulletin* poll of eleven major news media in New York on Feb. 17 resulted in the following statements of policy toward the question of reporting news from Red China:

ABC - No definite policy has been established, "but the State Dept. has not convinced us that their ban is right," Francis Littlejohn, director of news and public events said. "We have no one there at present.

AP - According to a statement made by general manager Frank Starzel on Aug. 20, 1956, the AP accepted with regret the State Dept. action. There is no AP man in China, a spokesman said. No newer policy statement is available.

CBS - Reported they are not sending anyone to Red China because they do not want to jeopardize their reporters. The network has used both live and taped reports from China made by freelance reporter William Worthy. CBS has opposed Secretary of State Dulles' order, and has protested against it.

INS - Kingsbury Smith, president, said that the bureau does not consider it right for any American correspondent to defy U.S. Government policy, and any INS reporter who does attempt to enter Red China would be dismissed. At the same time, Smith said, INS was urging the Government to alter its stand. (See story, this page on an INS reporter who was dismissed Feb. 15.)

*Look* Magazine - Reported they thought it was important for the American people to know what was going on in China, and two *Look* reporters defied the State Department ban for that reason.

NBC - Has not sent anyone to China, because of the State Department ban. They oppose the ban, and want to arrange for a State Department hearing on the issue.

*The New York Post*: Quoting from two editorials backing *Afro-American* reporter William Worthy: "Perhaps a legal case can be made out against him, but morally, we believe, he has rendered a memorable service." *The Post* has used a number of Mr. Worthy's reports from China.

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### OPC PLANS FORUM

The question of American citizens entering Red China for the purpose of covering news will be discussed at the second OPC "Responsibility in Communications" Forum Feb. 25.

William Worthy, *Afro-American* correspondent and free-lancer who has just returned from Red China, will join William Arthur, managing editor of *Look* magazine; James Wechsler, editor of *The New York Post*; Peggy Durdin of *The N.Y. Times Sunday Magazine* and Morris Ernst, New York civil liberties attorney, on the panel to discuss "Reporting on China."

Special Events Committee chairman David Shefrin says the two-part discussion will focus elements of reporting about China today, and examine the dispute over letting American newsmen into Communist China.

### Club Calendar

Mon., Feb. 25 - Opening of exhibit of portraits of prominent statesmen and entertainment figures by Honor Earl, British portrait painter, niece of novelist Somerset Maugham.

Also, second OPC Forum, "Responsibility in Communications," subject: "Reporting on China." (See story, this page.) Cocktails, 5:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:15 p.m. (reservations necessary). Discussion, 8:15 p.m. (reservations, member and one guest).

Tues., Feb. 26 - Open House - Harry Hershfield, journalist, cartoonist and humorist, talks about his career, "Reactions in General." Cocktails 6:00 p.m., followed by usual buffet supper.

Thurs., Feb. 28 - Book Evening - *The Bridge at Andau* by James A. Michener. Emcee John Barkham. 8:30 p.m. (See story, p. 3.)

Tues., Mar. 5 - Open House - Exclusive preview of NBC's new color film, "Maurice Chevalier's Paris." Cocktails, 6:00 p.m., followed by usual buffet supper.

Tues., Mar. 12 - Regional Dinner - *Ireland*. Reception, 6:30 p.m. Dinner. 7:30 p.m. \$3.50. (Subscription Series No. 1 valid.)



CHARLES H. KLENSCH

## Moscow Boots INS Man In New Cold War Gambit

by Richard Critchfield

Charles H. Klensch, INS correspondent who was expelled from the Soviet Union Feb. 15, is expected to arrive at the INS Berlin bureau sometime this week and will be reassigned from there.

Klensch, the third American correspondent ordered out of the Soviet Union within a year, was told to leave the country "as soon as possible" after he had been accused of giving anti-Soviet literature to students.

The charge was printed by the Young Communist League newspaper, *Komsomol Pravda*, which also accused Klensch of helping a student post letters to an American tourist who had visited in the Soviet Union last year.

Barry Faris, editor-in-chief of INS, said following a telephone conversation from Moscow, that the Soviet authorities were aware that Klensch was due to be transferred to another post in the near future because he had served his full term of three years in Moscow.

"It can only be assumed," Faris said, "that the Soviet government wished to take advantage of Mr. Klensch's imminent departure for cold war propaganda purposes, and possibly to discourage contacts between American correspondents in the Soviet Union and the Russian people."

John Martin, foreign director of INS, said the charge that Klensch had distri-

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## OVERSEAS TICKER



### ROME

Kenneth MacDonald, editor, *Des Moines Register and Tribune*, arrived in Rome with Mrs. MacDonald on a quick background and fact-finding trip around the world. From Rome, MacDonald, who is a member of AP's Board of Directors, took off for Beirut. His itinerary includes London and Paris, the Middle East and Far East.

Max Bergerre, veteran Rome correspondent formerly with Havas and now with Agence France Presse, was recently elected president of Rome's Foreign Press Club.

*Newsweek* has named Curtis G. (Bill) Pepper chief of its Rome bureau with responsibility for coverage of Italy, Spain and Greece. His first major story since his appointment was a cover story on the U.S. Sixth Fleet. *Frank Brutto*

### BONN

American correspondents gave a farewell lunch at the U.S. Embassy Club to Dr. James B. Conant who is retiring after four years as last U.S. High Commissioner and first post-war U.S. ambassador to West Germany.

After some reluctance to meet newsmen in his first few months in Germany, Dr. Conant later became readily accessible to permanent U.S. correspondents here. Informal off-record "bull sessions" at his official residence every month or so became a regular feature. At the farewell lunch Dr. Conant himself remarked that the group of regulars who attended these sessions had been remarkably stable. More than one-half of those who attended the first meeting after the September 1953 General Elections still are here.

Emlyn Williams, *Christian Science Monitor*, who has seen longest service here, organized and chairmanned the lunch. Others present were Tom Agoston, INS; Press Attache William Bell;

William Blair, *Newsweek*; Gaston Coblenz, *N.Y. Herald Tribune*; Brack Curry, AP; Joseph W. Grigg, UP; Meyer Handler, *N.Y. Times*; Edward Hughes, *Time-Life*; Kurt Lachmann, *U.S. News & World Report*; Joseph B. Phillips, Director of the U.S. Embassy Office of Public Affairs; and U.S. Minister William C. Trimble.

Quite a storm has been kicked up here by what the German Press interpreted as an attempt by the Adenauer government to clap muzzles on cabinet ministers in their dealings with newsmen. The cause of the trouble was a few paragraphs dealing with press policy in the standing orders for government departments which are being overhauled and revised.

A premature leak indicated that cabinet members and their aides henceforth must submit all press releases to the Federal Press Office for approval and may not talk with newsmen without the Press Office's okay. This turned out to be incorrect, but a number of influential West German newspapers, including the respected conservative *Frankfurter Allgemeine*, heartily denounced the supposed "muzzle" project in editorials before it was denied.

However, it did turn out that one section provides that before granting interviews to foreign correspondents any minister or senior official must check first with the Federal Press Office. It ruled further that all interviews must be approved before publication.

The Foreign Press Association stepped in to ensure that there should be no hamstringing of foreign newsmen. Representatives of the Association conferred with Deputy Press Chief Werner Krueger who gave assurances that the new regulation would, in fact, be considerably "more liberal and more generous" than those applied by the Weimar Republic in 1926.

The Association decided nevertheless to inform the government in writing that it is far from happy about the whole project. Meanwhile Chancellor Konrad

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### MOSCOW BOOTS INS MAN

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buted anti-Soviet literature was based on a few old *Life* and *Popular Science* magazines Klensch had given a Moscow college student who asked for them.

INS has been covered in Moscow by a stringer since Klensch's expulsion. Faris has said INS will shortly submit the name of a replacement for Klensch and has been assured by the Soviet Foreign Press Department that such an application would be "considered in the normal manner."

Klensch had been in Moscow since February, 1954; he was assigned there after covering the Big Four Foreign Ministers' Conference as a member of the INS staff.

Klensch is a native of Akron, Ohio. He attended the University of Missouri and Williams College, graduating from Williams in 1948.

He began his newspaper career with the United Press in New York and later in Boston. Subsequently he went to Italy to become sports editor of the *Rome Daily American*. He joined INS in July 1951.

His wife recently returned to Moscow from Berlin with their infant daughter.

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Last week the OPC received word from Leonard Saffir, who is in Hong Kong hoping to obtain a visa from Peking to enter Communist China. Saffir reported four cabled applications to Peking have so far gone unanswered.

Saffir, a veteran of seven years with INS, was dismissed from his assignment at the INS Tokyo Bureau after his arrival in Hong Kong.

Barry Faris, INS editor-in-chief, told *The Bulletin*: "Leonard Saffir was dismissed because he deserted his post in the INS Tokyo Bureau. He simply did not appear for work."

"Without notification to his superiors he disappeared and we were unaware of his whereabouts for several days."

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. is reprinting a section from *Deadline Delayed*, a 1947 OPC publication. The section, written by Henry J. Taylor concerning General G.S. Patton, Jr., is to be reproduced for use as training material.

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## PEOPLE & PLACES...

Dr. Marguerite Cartwright is lecturing in New Hampshire under sponsorship of Council of World Affairs...Lead article in Feb. 23 *Saturday Evening Post*, "Roughing It at Miami Beach," carries three pages of color photos by Ivan Dmitri...Ralph D. Gardner back from combined business-pleasure trip to Mexico...Adele Nathan's book, *Building the First Trans-Continental Railroad*, (Random House) has been translated into Burmese...Stella Margold lecturing in Syracuse and Utica, N.Y. next month.

Thor M. Smith, vice-president of *American Weekly*, received a get-well note from President Eisenhower, whose personal staff he was on in World War II; he is a heart patient at Greenwich (Conn.) Hospital...The Smith's daughter Marianne, was initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta sorority at Cornell University on Feb. 10...Telenews Film Corp. has moved to 850 Tenth Ave.; Richard Milbauer is news editor.

The first news to greet Charles H. (N.Y. *Times Magazine*) and Betsy (Chappaqua Sun) Brown and children on their return from a three-week Puerto Rican vacation in February was that Mrs. Brown had won the New York Press Association's annual award for the best feature story of 1956. The Association embraces New York State weeklies.

George Goodsitt and his wife have left for a year in Europe. In addition to a series, "Canadians Abroad," they plan to do some travel articles. (Lucy Goodsitt was New York correspondent for the *Windsor Tribune*.)

Fred L. Strozier, AP South American manager, had a heart attack in Rio de Janeiro Feb. 1 and will be in the hospital for possibly one month, latest reports are that he is showing considerable improvement...Cy Peterman acted as liaison and press relations coordinator for public relations on King Saud's visit at the Blair House; he is preparing some behind-the-scenes free-lance articles and lecturing on the "amusing side of Saud..." William E. Robinson president and a member of the board of the Coca-Cola Co., has been elected a member of the board of trustees of the American Heritage Foundation.

### OPC MILESTONES

**BORN:** To Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Schorr (he's president of Norman A. Schorr & Co., PR), a daughter, Susan Rebecca, on Feb. 12.

**DIED:** Charles F. Gannon, in Washington, D.C. Feb. 17. He was fifty-four years old.

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## TO ADDRESS OPC...



Harry Hershfield, well-known journalist, cartoonist and humorist. He will discuss the high points of his career under the title "Reactions in General," at an OPC Open House Feb. 26.

### MICHENER'S NEW BOOK SUBJECT ON FEB. 28.

The Hungarian Revolution which was "proposed by the writers and the philosophers of the Petofo Club...initiated by daring students...maintained by boys and girls who wrestled with tanks barehanded, but made effective by the men of Csepel...the propaganda darlings of communism," is the subject of James A. Michener's latest book, *The Bridge at Andau*, to be published by Random House March 1. It is also the subject-matter for the OPC Book Evening arranged by the Memorial Library Committee for Feb. 28.

Michener, to be honored by the Club that evening, will be joined in a discussion of his at-the-scene report by the exiled Ex-Mayor of Budapest, Jozsef Kovago, and a panel of OPC members and guests, including Kenneth Brodny, formerly of U.P. John Barkham will be the moderator.

The Evening will start with a reception at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m. The discussion is scheduled for 8:30 p.m.

### KIESINGER CONFERENCE RESCHEDULED

The press conference for Kurt Kiesinger, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Bundestag of the West German Republic, originally scheduled for the OPC on Feb. 28 at 3:00 p.m. has been changed to Mar. 1 at 5:30 p.m.

The working press has been invited.

Jean Jaffe is in Vienna for Dep't. of Defense working with "Operation Safe Haven" - Hungarian refugee airlift. By the end of this month, the U.S. will have taken nearly 12,000 refugees.

## COMMITTEES



### RADIO-TV

Chairman Ben Wright reported to the Board of Governors at its Jan. 31 meeting on the progress and status of the Club radio and TV activity.

The Radio-TV Committee described the first film of the TV series, "EXCLUSIVE!" as "excellent." The Committee forecasted a bright future for "EXCLUSIVE!" and discussed the revenues which might be expected from the series.

The report pointed out that - in addition to receiving \$1,000 on signing of the contract with Derel Producing Assoc. - the Club receives \$750 for each film produced. Individual members are paid \$500 for stories accepted. Thirteen films have been produced to date under the direction of Bernard Lubber and director Eddie Sutherland. The undertaking forecasts revenue for the Club as follows: thirteen - week series - \$10,750; twenty-six weeks - \$20,500; thirty-nine weeks - \$30,250; and fifty-two weeks - \$40,000. In addition the agreement provides certain subsidiary rights as well.

Because the Derel group has a sizable investment in the project, the Committee feels that the Club may eventually look forward to a continuing program producing annual revenues of perhaps \$3,300 per month.

The report then reviewed the history of the OPC "Spectacular," adding that no network, producer or sponsor had so far evidenced any revenue-producing interest in the show. In its first year, the Spectacular was operated for the benefit of the Correspondents Fund - which received a net of some \$85,000 from a gross of \$100,000. The second year the net to the Club was reduced to approximately \$50,000. That was due in large part to the necessity of paying performers, many of whom contributed their services the first year.

Efforts to mount a revenue-producing Spectacular this year have fallen on disinterested ears, the Committee reported, adding that many top TV shows have offered to build a performance around OPC but are reluctant to pay an appropriate amount for the privilege.

The Committee pointed out that at a previous Board meeting, it had diagnosed the Spectacular problem as follows: "Planning and staging the Spectacular is a big job, and previous committees have urged the employment of an individual to devote full time to building contacts and arranging the show."

The Committee's report concluded that "we are now expecting revenue from the TV series which will be permanent and dependable and not influenced by the whims and fancies of personalities and trends in the TV world."



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## COVERING GERMANY AIN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE --- TENY

by Joseph W. Grigg, Jr.

It's pushing twelve years since World War II ended, and all but a few scattered hold-outs from the old Press Camp days have long since packed their loot-laden bags and shaken the dust of dear old Deutschland from their heels.

A new generation of foreign correspondents has taken over. It's a generation that doesn't remember the days when a carton of cigarettes was the price of a fur coat and a couple of candy bars sealed some mighty unlasting friendships.

Among readers of this piece, there will be old sweats with nostalgic memories of the Park Hotel Press Center in Frankfurt and some fancy shenanigans in the now defunct Berlin Press Club. To them, I can only report that those dear dead days are gone beyond all recall. The PX, the Commissary, the requisitioned housing and the cheap liquor are all just fading memories. We live like the natives, we eat like the natives, we don't cock a snook at their traffic laws and --- unthinkable to the old war horses of a few years back --- we are subject to their taxes.

All this, I might add, is not by way of complaint --- just reporting facts.

#### A Curious Impermanence

Yet there's something curiously impermanent about this whole set-up of covering Germany in 1957.

To begin with, no one has yet agreed on one spot from which to cover it, the way you cover Great Britain from London, France from the Crillon bar and so forth. True, the West German government headquarters is Bonn, though its official name still is the "temporary Federal Capital." But you often have the feeling that no one outside Germany ever has heard of Bonn. Or, if he has, (that editor) apparently believes Frankfurt is the capital of West Germany (where the Americans live) and Bonn is the native quarter or Medina just outside the walls (where the Germans live). In fact, it's a hard two-and-a-quarter hours beat down the *autobahn* by car between the two.

Back in the days when Frankfurt still was U.S. occupation headquarters, everyone set up shop there and the UP and AP dug in so permanently that there seems to be no prospect of their digging themselves out again except at fantastic cost. To move the Frankfurt set-ups to Bonn, each service would have to buy a plot of land there, build a building and then construct a housing project for their staffs.

Even then, they would have to keep their Photos offices in Frankfurt because

plane connections out of Bonn's primitive little cow pasture Wahn airport (shared with British RAF jets) are almost nonexistent.

#### Press Headquarters

So the big wire services still keep their head offices in Frankfurt (where almost no news ever breaks now), along with one or two hold-out specials and the *Overseas Weekly* and *American Weekend*, two American-owned publications which cater strictly to a GI audience.



FRANKFURT

All told, that still leaves between fifteen and twenty American newsmen based in Frankfurt.

Then there's another crowd about the same size, just one hundred miles up the road in the "temporary" capital of Bonn. (Among the Germans, it's politically profitable to stress the "temporary." But the "temporary" capital is getting to look mighty permanent since the Adenauer government began throwing up massive government buildings --- latest among them's the Defense Ministry which local wags have dubbed the "Bonntagon" or "Pentabonn".)

The fifteen to twenty American newsmen in Bonn represent the three press associations, two radio networks, two news magazines and the leading U.S. dailies.

Most work is done in a group of slightly enlarged rabbit hutches which the Bonn government obligingly constructed in 1949 as "temporary" (that word again) office space for the Press when Bonn was chosen the "provisional" capital. These buildings are flimsy two-story barracks whose only advantage is that they are just across the street from the big white Bundeshaus, where the West German Parliament sits.

#### Definitely Temporary

There's no question about these rattletrap buildings being temporary. It's a sure bet that one of these days when the AP staff upstairs rushes to file a flash its whole bank of teleprinters will land on the head of the UP manager (and correspondent for the *Bulletin*) whose office is on the ground floor immediately below them.

Then, away up in isolated Berlin, 110 miles behind the Iron Curtain, is the third

major group of foreign correspondents. This group includes all three U.S. wire services, the radio networks and *The New York Times*.

Incidentally, they are still sitting pretty. Berlin technically is still an occupied city, and American newsmen there still have the benefit of PX, Commissary and the other perks (including cheap booze) that blew out the window on the first frigid blasts of West German sovereignty in 1955.

The Berlin group is smaller than those in Bonn and Frankfurt. But at the first smell of a new "Berlin Blockade" or Soviet Zone "revolt," the reinforcements come pounding up by plane, Army train or *autobahn* from West Germany to bolster the coverage and sample the super-dry martinis of Freddy, the genial bar tender of the French-operated "Maison de la France."

#### Newsmen Cover Germany

A couple of U.S. newsmen and a number of British make their headquarters in Duesseldorf, capital of the industrial Ruhr. At least one hangs out in Heidelberg, U.S. Army headquarters for Europe, and a couple more in Munich. And, finally, *Stars and Stripes*, the U.S. Army paper, publishes and prints at Darmstadt.

It's a scattered group, and so is the beat these correspondents have to cover. U.S. Army headquarters is at Heidelberg and the Air Force headquarters at Wiesbaden. British headquarters is at Moenchengladbach, near Cologne. The West German Supreme Court is at Karlsruhe, the German Federation of Industries at Cologne, the German Trade Union Federation at Duesseldorf, the Federal Statistical Office at Wiesbaden, the Bank Deutscher Laender at Frankfurt and the German Shipping Association at Hamburg.



BONN

Back in 1939 when this correspondent first started covering Germany, everything was centered in Berlin. But maybe there is something to be said for the present "temporary" set-up --- at least, every newsmen in Germany has to be a leg-man.

The West German government, it must be said, is press-minded, as European governments go, and eases the rocky road of news coverage to an extent that is depressingly rare on this side of the Atlantic.



# IN YEARS AGO

## Adenauer and the Press

Old Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, a tough, hale and healthy eighty-one, is girding himself for the big General Election battle next September and is mending his press fences in the process.

Although more approachable than many other European statesmen, "Der Alte" has never been too strongly sold on full dress news conferences. He has preferred to limit his press contacts to so-called "Chancellor tea parties" (they are called "tea parties", though they can take place any time between nine in

the morning and late evening). He invites between ten and twenty newsmen to these shindigs and uses them to disseminate on whatever line or pet project he has to sell at the time.



BERLIN

Trouble is that, although in theory these "tea parties" are off the record, the stories always leak out and "Der Alte" sometimes even puts some of his remarks on the record. The severe restriction on attendance naturally leads to howls of anguish from all those outside of the particularly chosen circle who happened to get invited.

Years of protesting seemed to have little effect. But shortly before Christmas West Germany's genial Federal Press Chief Felix von Eckardt sold the "Old Man" on the desirability of holding regular, full dress news conferences modeled frankly on the White House pattern. These are held every other Friday morning and, after a sticky start, have developed into a useful institution.

## Bonn's Machinery

The news conferences are limited to thirty minutes; questions are submitted in writing on the previous evening and newsreels and TV are barred. But Adenauer now allows verbal questions shot at him from the floor and answers all with an agility that even case-hardened reporters cannot help admiring. Further, it's evident that the old gentleman himself enjoys the freedom of questions tossed at him by the newsmen and the whole tendency now is to reduce the number of written questions to leave as much time as possible for verbal ones

off the cuff.

The Bonn government's machinery for releasing news is at least as smooth-running as any to be found in other European capitals where this correspondent has toiled. The main news pipeline is the Federal Press Office, over which von Eckardt presides. A central news desk manned by a relay of so-called *Chefs vom Dienst* or news editors is on hand to answer queries on most any subject from nine in the morning until late evening. The *Chefs vom Dienst* are a group of amiable, well-informed and knowledgeable men who do their best to help bemused correspondents on any subject from cabinet meetings to reactions to the latest Khrushchev fireworks.

## Federal Press Office

The Federal Press Office also has a set-up of specialists for individual countries or groups of countries whose job it is to take visiting firemen newsmen from abroad in tow, hand-hold them, interpret for them, set up interviews for them (often in preference to the disgruntled resident correspondents) and speed them on their way singing praises for the Bonn government's press relations policy.

Eckardt, the most popular Press Chief this country has had and one of Adenauer's closest advisors, holds thrice-weekly news conferences attended by both German and foreign newsmen. And finally each government office, including the Chancellery, has its own Press Officers—some good, some indifferent and some total losses.

All in all, in his long years of toiling on the foreign news coverage treadmill, this correspondent has found worse press set-ups. Admittedly, it could be a great deal better. But then, after all, Bonn is only the "temporary" (let us not forget that word) capital!

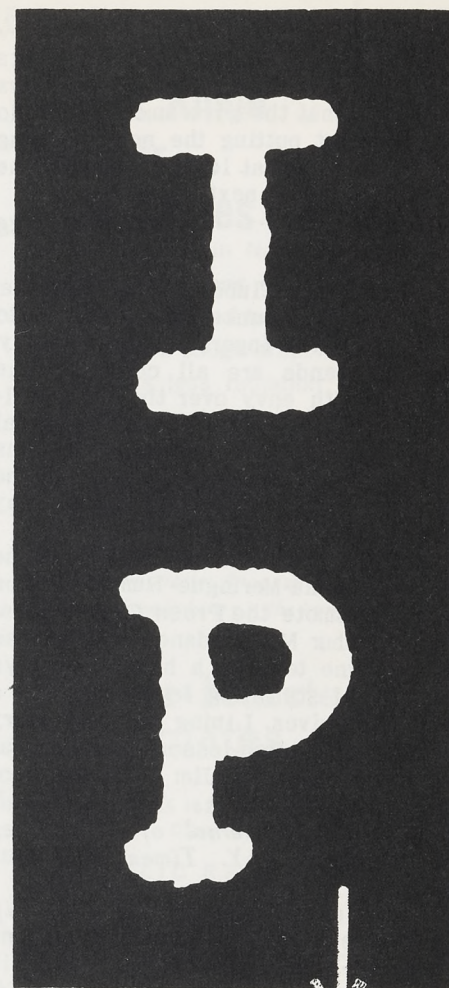
*Bulletin correspondent from Bonn Joseph W. Grigg, Jr., has been UP bureau manager for Germany since 1951.*

Grigg went with the UP in 1934 and served as a staff correspondent in London until 1939. He worked as staff correspondent for Berlin and London until 1944 when he was sent to France as UP bureau manager. He remained there until his assignment as bureau manager for Germany.

An author of *This Is The Enemy*, Grigg was president of the Frankfurt Press Club in 1953 and 1954, and is a member of the Foreign Press Association in Bonn.



JOSEPH W. GRIGG, JR.



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Adenauer himself soothed ruffled feelings all around by announcing at his news conference that the government would do nothing about putting the new standing orders into effect at least until after the General Elections next September.

Joseph W. Grigg

**TOKYO**

Tokyo Press Clubbers who made the recent two-day junket to Okinawa to watch Admirals Ingersoll and Beakley swap commands are all colors of the spectrum with envy over the lucky colleagues who will arrive on SAS inaugural flight over the North Pole. Only one accredited correspondent is making the out-bound trip to Copenhagen - Ray Falk of ABC.

It was probably inevitable, but the Mambo-Cha-Cha-Meringue-Rumba-Samba craze has smote the Press Club a blow. Former Arthur Murray dance instructress Cathy Rhyne teaches a handful of guys who are all stumbling feet, and even a handful of wives. Lining up most every Tuesday for the ten-lesson package deal are Don Baldwin and Jim Cary, AP; Igor Oganessoff, *Business International*; Stuart Griffin, *Journal of Commerce*; Bob Trumbull, *N.Y. Times*; and Alex Campbell, *Time-Life*.

Alex Campbell is the new *Time-Life* Tokyo bureau chief. A native of Scotland and a long-time resident correspondent in Johannesburg, he shifted with *Time-Life* to New Delhi and only recently came here. Outgoing bureau chief Curt Pendergast moves himself and family to Campbell's old slot, South Africa.

Back from the States and home leave comes UP photo editor Norm Williams. Soon to follow him is Correspondent

**MEDIA COMMENTS** (Cont'd from p. 1)

Reuter's News Service: Since it is not an American service, Reuter's has a man in Peking regularly, the only direct reporting that U.S. news media get from Red China.

*The New York Times*: "The Times is so far taking the State Department's point of view," according to Robert Garst, assistant managing editor. "We get very little from Red China," he said, mostly by monitoring the Peking radio.

*New York Herald Tribune*: Executive managing editor George Cornish said that of course the paper had no reporter in China, but would like to send someone. Much of their news comes through Hong Kong, he said.

UP - Has no one in China. "Apparently our men who are not American citizens haven't been able to get Chinese visas," a spokesman said.

All of the organizations do get reports from China through Reuters, foreign free-lance writers, by monitoring the Peking radio, or from Hong Kong.

Club president and INS bureau chief and Far Eastern manager *Marvin Stone*.

Foster Hailey, *N.Y. Times*, birds for a grueling stint in Indo-China before winding up for the SEATO conference in Canberra, next month. Bob Trumbull, the other half of the *Times* team in Japan-Korea, heads for home leave, via Europe before too long.

**KRANJSKA GORA, YUGOSLAVIA**

Dutch correspondent Jean Boon (in the men's competition), and Polish Radio reporter Krystyna Progulska (in the women's competition), won the annual International Skiing Competition for Journalists here last week. The American team made a dismal showing, largely because of the last-minute cancellation of its star, Larry Collins, UP, who was suddenly transferred to Rome.

Foreign correspondents and journalists from twelve nations took part in the unusual "politics-barred" slaloms.

The idea was a friendly open-air get-together designed for journalists to get to know each other better. Ski racers - professional and amateur - were barred, and all competitors had to be accredited journalists.

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HARRY GILROY, *New York Times*, Since April '56 (Berlin), Dec. '53 to Feb. '56 (Israel), July '48 to Nov. '53 (NY); *Newark News* July '30 to Jan. '41. Proposed by *Wayne Richardson*; seconded by *Charles Robbins*.

ROBERT LITTELL, *Reader's Digest*, roving ed., since '37; *New Republic*, April '20 to July '25; *NY Eve. Post*, Nov. '27 to Feb. '31; *Today* magazine, May '35 to Jan. '37. Proposed by *Wayne Richardson*; seconded by *Charles Robbins*.

BARRETT GALLAGHER, free-lance photographer; *US Navy*, Sept. '44 to Feb. '46 (Pacific); *Fortune*, March-April '52 (Cuba); *Life*, May-July '53 (Off Korea); *Collier's*, March '56 (Cuba); *Life*, *Esquire*, Aug. to Oct. '56 (Mediterranean, Suez Canal). Proposed by *Bradley Smith*; seconded by *James Sheldon*.

## NEW MEMBERS

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership of the following candidates:

### ACTIVE

Leonard Allen, NBC  
Therese Bonney  
Albert Fick, *Herald Tribune*  
Adeline Fitzgerald  
Igor Oganessoff, *Business Int'l*, CBC &  
*Christian Science Monitor*  
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Donald L. Perris, *Scripps-Howard Radio*, Inc.

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## LETTERS

Dear Editor:

His Serene Highness, the Prince of Monaco, has asked me to thank the OPC most sincerely for its cable of congratulations to Their Highnesses on the occasion of the birth of Princess Caroline

Rupert Allan

Press Information Center  
Principality of Monaco

Dear Editor:

I would like to clear up some misstatements concerning the founding of the OPC which have appeared in print.

In 1955, *Editor & Publisher* wrote, "...OPC was founded by three ex-foreign correspondents: the late Sam Dashiell, the LATE Charles Ferlin and Wythe Williams." I am very much alive!

Moreover, in OPC "Who's Who" and the new brochure, I have been referred to as "secretary-treasurer." *Joseph Shapley*, then on *The N.Y. Times*, held on to the Club money-bags. I was founder secretary.

Charles Ferlin

Lisa Larsen returned Feb. 13 from Poland. She had been there since Jan. 16 covering the Polish elections.

Cornelius Ryan back from England...

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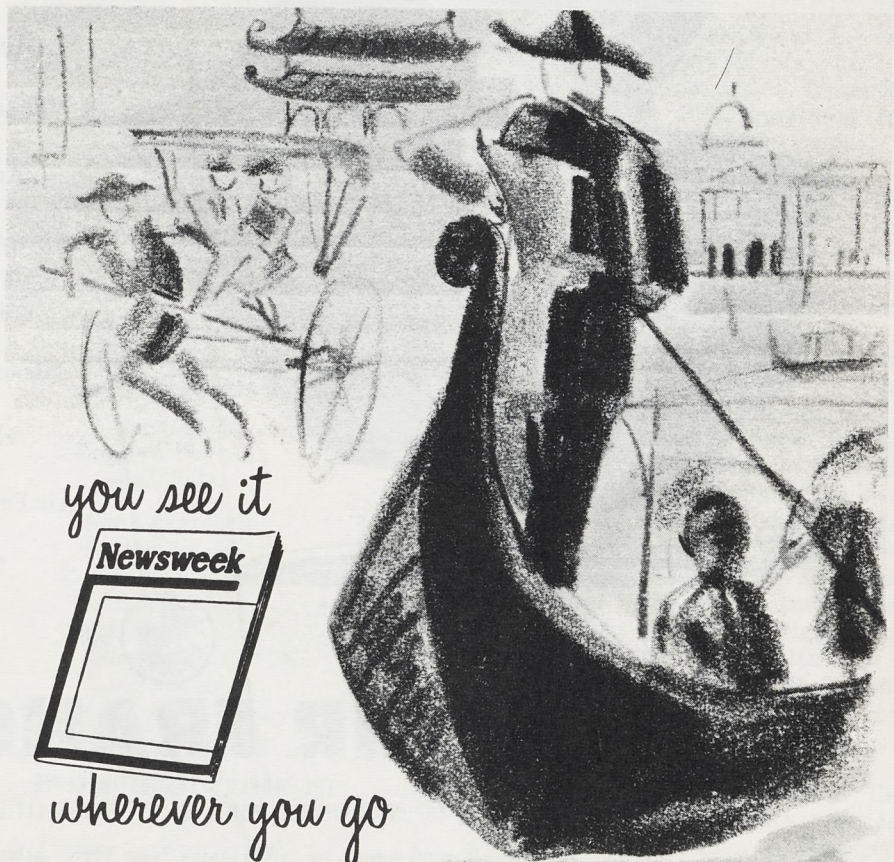
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